

CENTRAL VALLEY RURAL CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAM
CENTRAL COAST RURAL CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAM
Component: 50.30.815, 40.30.815

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Created in 1996, and currently governed by California Penal Code § 14170-14175, the Central Valley Rural Crime Prevention (CVRCP) Program authorized the counties of Tulare, Fresno, Kern, Kings, Merced, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, and Madera to enhance crime prevention efforts in rural areas. In 2003, Senate Bill 44 established the Central Coast Rural Crime Prevention (CCRCP) Program to be governed by Penal Code § 14180-14183 and modeled after the Central Valley Rural Crime Prevention Program. This allowed Cal EMA to administer funds to five additional counties: Monterey, San Benito, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, and Santa Cruz.

These programs use both a local and regional task force approach to the protection and safety of the state's agriculture industry by creating statewide standards and methods for detecting and tracking agrarian crime. Rural Crime and Agricultural Crime are synonymous terms and as such are defined by a singular definition:

Any property crime against a farmer, rancher, agricultural-related business or other designated industry which takes place in the unincorporated rural areas of the state, and impacts the victim's commercial production, distribution, or economic livelihood derived from agricultural products, livestock, petroleum, chemicals, farm implements, and equipment.

To ensure program integrity, a criminal activity not meeting this definition, even though the crime was committed in a rural or agricultural location, is not included under this program.

For FY 2008/09 and 2009/10, the Rural Crime Prevention Program was augmented with Local Safety & Protection Account (LSPA) funds and the grant period was extended to 6/30/10.

Cal EMA has recently been informed that the estimated amount generated in LSPA funds for FY 2009/2010 is significantly less than the \$55 million anticipated. The Department of Finance recently estimated LSPA funds for FY 2009/2010 in the range of \$35 - \$39 million; or slightly more than two-thirds of what was originally estimated. Unfortunately, this program was put into grant award agreement utilizing the \$55 million LSPA amount. At this time, Cal EMA does not have any information concerning the availability of funds for the above referenced programs for FY 2010/2011.

FUNDS AWARDED

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Types of Funding</u>	<u>Total Funding</u>
FY 2008/09	State General Fund FY 2008 (CVRCP)	\$ 2,434,428
	State General Fund FY 2008 (CCRCP)	\$ 582,572
	Local Safety & Protection Account (LSPA) FY 2008 (CVRCP)	\$ 679,413

	Local Safety & Protection Account (LSPA) FY 2008 (CCRCP)	\$ 162,587
FY 2009/10	Local Safety & Protection Account (LSPA) FY 2009 (CVRCP)	\$ 2,898,396
	Local Safety & Protection Account (LSPA) FY 2009 (CCRCP)	\$ 693,604
FY 2010/11		Unknown

2008/09 PERFORMANCE STATISTICS

CVRCP Program:

<u>480</u>	Agricultural crimes investigated.
<u>48</u>	Number of suspects arrested/cited for agricultural crime offenses.
<u>88</u>	Number of suspects referred for prosecution.
<u>72</u>	Number of agricultural cases filed.

CCRCP Program:

<u>191</u>	Agricultural crimes investigated.
<u>14</u>	Number of suspects arrested/cited for agricultural crime offenses.
<u>26</u>	Number of suspects referred for prosecution.
<u>4</u>	Number of agricultural cases filed.

2009/10 PERFORMANCE STATISTICS

Not Available

2010/11 PERFORMANCE STATISTICS

Not Available